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In re application of

Shigeo OHTA et al.

Serial No. 10/049,822

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cDNA OF RAT bcl-x GENE AND  
AN IMPROVED PROTEIN

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**PATENT OFFICE FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Late filing of executed Declaration ..... \$130.00

A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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**SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION**  
**UNDER 35 USC 371**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
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Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an executed Declaration for the above-identified application which was originally filed without an executed Declaration.

The Declaration identifies the application by the Title, name of the inventors, and filing date of the application.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application now complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.53(d). Enclosed herewith is the \$130.00 surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.16(e).

Early issuance of a filing receipt is therefore requested.

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